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SUBJECT: CSCE: ZORIN LECTURES LUXEMBOURG AMBASSADOR ON SOVIET POSITIONS

VIENNA FOR USDEL MBFR.

GENEVA FOR USDEL CSCE.

DURING FEB 1 SPC MEETING, LUXEMBOURG REP (HOSTERT) REPORTED THAT ON JAN 10 LUXEMBOURG AMBASSADOR IN MOSCOW HAD BEEN "EXPOSED AT SOME LENGTH TO" LECTURE BY SOVIET CSCE REP ZORIN, WHO WENT OVER USSR'S POSITION ON ALL MAJOR CSCE ISSUES. SOVIETS REPORTEDLY SHOWED NO LOOSENING OF THEIR CURRENT HARD LINE, AND WERE PARTICULARLY FIRM ON ISSUE OF PEACEFUL CHANGES OF BORDERS. ZORIN EMPHASIZED THAT USSR CONTINUED TO OPPOSE CONCEPT OF EVEN PEACEFUL CHANGES, SINCE ALL PAST EUROPEAN WARS HAD STARTED, IN SOVIET VIEW, BECAUSE NATIONS SOUGHT TO CHANGE BORDERS IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. BELGIAN REP (BAL) SAID THAT BELGIANS HAD ALSO RECEIVED REPORTS FROM MOSCOW TO THE EFFECT THAT ZORIN SEEMED TO BE CANVASSING CSCE EMBASSIES. CONFIDENTIAL

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AIM WAS PROBABLY TO PUT ACROSS SOVIET VIEWS AND SPEED UP CSCE. HE ADDED THAT ZORIN HAD PLANNED TO VISIT BRUSSELS-- APPARENTLY FOR THE SAME PURPOSE--BUT THAT VISIT HAD SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN CALLED OFF. DUTCH REP (BUWALDA) NOTED THAT THE SAME THING HAD HAPPENED RE A PROPOSED VISIT TO THE NETHERLANDS, AND SPECULATED THAT

ZORIN'S ACTIVITY IN MOSCOW MIGHT REPRESENT A SUBSTITUTE PROGRAM.
BOTH REPS FELT THAT ALLIES SHOULD SOON EXCHANGE VIEWS ON POINTS OF
CURRENT MAJOR INTEREST TO SOVIETS, AS WELL AS LATEST TACTICAL STEPS
USSR APPEARS TO BE TAKING TO SPEED UP CSCE.
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